

BOTANY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The California Botanical Society is launching a new program to inspire future botanists and to help build the communication and professional skills of current botany scholars. We invite graduate students and upper-level undergraduates to participate in the program, which will begin in Fall 2017. Botany ambassadors will develop and exchange teaching materials, and will visit local schools, botanic gardens, and outdoor education venues to give short lessons introducing K–12 students to botany and informing them of botanical careers. Ambassadors may also “translate” recent *Madroño* articles into summaries, stories, and news briefs for general

audiences, to be posted on the Society’s website. In addition, graduate students will have the option to obtain experience as a reviewer for *Madroño*. With this program, we aim to inspire student interest and awareness of botany as a career, and to facilitate the professional training of current botany students. Those interested in participating or supporting this program should contact the Membership Chair.

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